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NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

SUBJECT: MassHealth: Amendment to the Standard and CarePlus Alternative Benefit Plan State Plans (Private Duty Nursing Provided by Continuous Skilled Nursing Agencies)

AGENCY: Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS)

Background

EOHHS has determined that certain conforming amendments to its Standard and CarePlus Alternative Benefit Plan State Plans (ABP State Plans) are warranted.

EOHHS is confirming coverage of continuous skilled nursing (CSN) provided by CSN Agencies in the business of providing private duty nursing to eligible complex care MassHealth Members that require 2 or more hours of continuous nursing in the home.

EPSDT and Tribal Consultation

The amendments will not affect how MassHealth provides Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services. EOHHS has followed the tribal consultation noticing process established under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and set forth in its approved state plan.

Public Comments

EOHHS will hold a public comment period until December 28, 2022, relative to these ABP State Plan Amendments. Individuals may submit written comments by emailing ehs-regulations@state.ma.us.

Please email comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the phrase, "ABP CSN Agency Services" in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and email address.

Individuals who are unable to send comments by email should mail written comments to EOHHS, c/o Debby Briggs 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor Quincy, MA 02171

To be considered, written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on December 28, 2022.

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